

**We claim:**

- 1           1. A method of making a spun-bond web comprising the  
2    steps of:
  - 3           (a) forming filaments of thermoplastic synthetic resin;
  - 4           (b) collecting said filaments in a spun-bond web;
  - 5           (c) treating said filaments with a wetting agent; and
  - 6           (d) hydrodynamically consolidating said spun-bond web.
  
- 1           2. The method defined in claim 1 wherein said  
2    filaments are produced with a spinnerette and are then cooled.
  
- 1           3. The method defined in claim 2 wherein said  
2    filaments are collected on a continuously moved foraminous belt.
  
- 1           4. The method defined in claim 3, further comprising  
2    drawing air through said belt from below said belt in a region at  
3    which said filaments are collected on said belt with at least one  
4    suction device.

1           5. The method defined in claim 4 wherein said  
2     filaments are treated with said wetting agent after the filaments  
3     have been collected into a spun-bond web on said belt.

1           6. The method defined in claim 5 wherein said wetting  
2     agent is a surfactant.

1           7. The method defined in claim 6 wherein said spun-  
2     bond web is hydrodynamically consolidated by training water jets  
3     thereon.